

***Remarks***

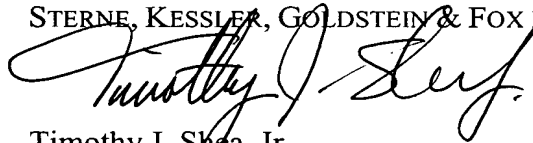
As requested in the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed December 1, 2005, Applicants have submitted a corrected amendment. In the comments to the Notice, the Examiner states that the amendment to the specification filed 7/18/05 was not entered, and therefore the entire amendment to the specification must be submitted in proper form with proper markings. This is the second Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment Applicants have received. In response to the first Notice, Applicants' undersigned attorney called the Examiner on October 6, 2005, for the specific purpose of determining the proper form of the corrected amendment, and was told by the examiner that only those markings omitted from the original amendment needed to be included. Applicants submitted a corrected amendment accordingly. Thus, Applicants are concerned to have received yet another Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter the amendment and act on this matter as soon as possible.

***Conclusion***

Prompt and favorable consideration of this application is respectfully requested. Applicants believe the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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